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FOIA No. 2019-533

Dear Ms. Grauer:

This letter responds to your recent Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") request received by the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC" or "Commission") and assigned to the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau ("CGB") and Enforcement ("EB") Bureaus. You are requesting complaints and/or investigatory files about Zuffa, William Morris Endeavor, or the Ultimate Fighting Championships (2960 West Sahara Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89102), from January 2000 to the present. We are responding to your request electronically.

According to the Commission's Record Control Schedule for Informal Complaints ("Records Control Schedule"), the Commission does not maintain informal complaints and related correspondence for more than three years after the case is closed. See N1-173-07-1, FCC Disposition Authority. Therefore, all complaints records prior to October 31, 2015, have been purged.

CGB and EB conducted a search of the databases containing complaints. Our search revealed approximately eight-five (85) complaints that are responsive to your request, which are attached. EB informed CGB that a search of their records identified no responsive records. Please be advised that the FCC receives many complaints and comments that do not involve violations of the Communications Act or any FCC rule or order. Thus, the existence of a complaint or comment filed against a particular carrier or business entity does not necessarily indicate any wrongdoing by any individuals or business entities named in the complaint or comment.

The records responsive to your requests were redacted under FOIA Exemption 6.¹ Exemption 6 protects files containing personally identifiable information, disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

¹ 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(6).

Balancing the public's right to disclosure against the individual's right to privacy, we have determined that release of this information would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

You have been categorized as a representative of the news media for purposes of assessing FOIA fees.² As such, you are responsible for the cost of reproduction beyond the first 100 pages. No fees were incurred in processing your request.

If you consider this to be a denial of your FOIA requests, you may seek review by filing an application for review with the Office of General Counsel. An application for review must be *received* by the Commission within 90 calendar days of the date of this letter.³ You may file an application for review by mailing the application to Federal Communications Commission, Office of General Counsel, 445 12th St SW, Washington, DC 20554, or you may file your application for review electronically by e-mailing it to FOIA Appeal@fcc.gov. Please caption the envelope (or subject line, if via e-mail) and the application itself as "Review of Freedom of Information Action" and the application should refer to FOIA No. 2019-533.

If you would like to discuss this response before filing an application for review to attempt to resolve your dispute without going through the appeals process, you may contact the Commission's FOIA Public Liaison for assistance at:

FOIA Public Liaison
FCC, Office of the Managing Director,
Performance Evaluation and Records Management
445 12th St SW,
Washington, DC 20554
FOIA-Public-Liaison@fcc.gov

If you are unable to resolve your FOIA dispute through the Commission's FOIA Public Liaison, the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS), and the Federal FOIA Ombudsman's Office, offers mediation services to help resolve disputes between FOIA requesters and Federal agencies. The contact information for OGIS is:

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² See 47 CFR § 0.470(a)(2).

³ 47 CFR §§ 0.461(j), 1.115; 47 CFR § 1.7 (documents are considered filed with the Commission upon their receipt at the location designated by the Commission).

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Sincerely,

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Attachments